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Mindanao

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Dear Mom & All,  
Got two letters from you  
yesterday. You asked me if I saw  
Mac Eddy. What is he in any-  
way. Received a letter from Bob  
the other day. I got that clip-  
ping in one of the letters telling  
about Betty. I have a picture of  
her that is the same as that  
one. Do you think you could send  
~~something~~ something to read in an envelope.  
Like newspaper clippings or the comic  
page. I suppose the comic page  
would be too big though. It takes  
so long for the whole paper  
to come through. If you send  
some ~~thing~~ ~~to~~ ~~read~~ in your envelopes  
I'll have something to read once  
in a while until the papers  
get here. I still haven't got the  
Times or Press either one. These

envelopes you send in your letters come in handy. I have a few other ones but it is so damp over here that they all seal shut. Those you send are never sealed. It rains quite a lot over here and is muddy all the time. It doesn't get so hot here. I don't think it gets as hot as it does there at home, in the summer. How is the weather there. Is it still raining quite a lot there.

Aunt Ella said in her letter that Leo was really growing. Can he wear my clothes yet. If he can he might as well wear all of them. Did Helen take that ~~pink~~ blue shirt. Tell her she can have it if she wants it. That white jacket to. I don't suppose



Joe would wear <sup>(THREE)</sup> that would be.  
I probably wouldn't be able to  
wear ~~the~~ them when I get back  
so you might as well make use  
of them. I was 32 around the  
waist but I'm only about 30 now.  
I haven't lost so much weight  
though. What I did lose was mostly  
in the waist.

How are your chickens coming.  
Have anymore of them come up  
missing. Did you find what was  
taking them. Hope it wasn't the  
old black cat. Did you get any  
ducks this year or isn't it time  
to get them yet.

Think I'll have to close for  
this time.

So long for now.

Love, Belle